

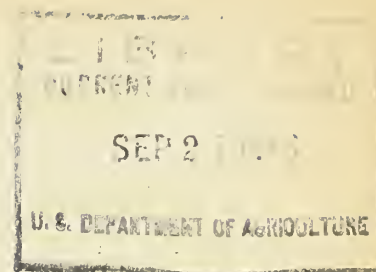
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: F A M I N E C A M P A I G N R O U N D U P :  
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: In accordance with "stand-by" instructions from :  
: the President's Famine Emergency Committee, the :  
: Famine Round-Up will hereafter be published once :  
: every 2 weeks instead of every week. Should the :  
: need arise, its issuance on a weekly basis will :  
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FAO GROUP MAKES WASHINGTON SEAT

Washington has been selected as the seat of the commission of the United Nations' Food and Agriculture Organization which is preparing plans for a world food board. Plans which are developed will be submitted to Sir John Orr, director general of FAO, who will refer them to a full FAO conference. Action taken by the conference will then be reported to the United Nations' Economic and Social Council.

Member Nations of the special commission include: Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Egypt, France, India, the Netherlands, the Philippine Republic, Poland, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Siam -- during rice discussions, Argentina, and Russia have also been invited to participate.

Decision on a permanent FAO headquarters has been deferred.

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OUTLOOK CONFERENCE WILL VIEW THE INTERNATIONAL SCENE

A preliminary program of the Outlook Conference to be held in Washington October 7-12 to review 1947 Goals and Support Price Programs includes speakers who will discuss the situation from all agricultural angles.

As planned at present, a portion of the conference will be devoted to a consideration of the international situation as it affects agriculture.

Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson will open the conference. "International Finance" will be discussed by Eugene Meyer, President, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development; and the "World Situation for Food and Agriculture" by Sir John Boyd Orr, Director-General, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. Edwin J. Nourse, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers, will speak at the banquet on October 9.

On the program for the afternoon of October 8, under the heading of BROADENING THE MARKET FOR FARM PRODUCTS, these talks by USDA officials are scheduled:

"Developments Affecting Market Outlets for Farm Products"	----	F. L. Thomsen, Head, Div. of Marketing and Transportation Research BAE
"New Uses for Farm Products"	----	L. B. Howard, Chief, Bureau of Agricultural and Industrial Chemistry
"Agricultural Exports"	----	Leslie A. Wheeler, Director, Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations

The OUTLOOK FOR NUTRITION program the morning of October 9 includes:

"The World Nutrition Situation"	----	Hazel K. Stiebeling, Chief, Bureau of Human Nutrition and Home Economics.
"Department Nutrition Programs"	----	Robert H. Shields, Administrator, Production and Marketing Administration

A discussion on "Goals, Price Supports, and the Outlook" will conclude the speakers' program at the conference.

Specific commodity outlook meetings will begin the afternoon of October 9.

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MORE WHEAT PURCHASES FOR EUROPE

European countries will receive more than 14 million bushels of wheat purchased by the Commodity Credit Corporation during the 9-day period September 9 to 17. Allocations for October exports have not as yet been made.

These purchases were made in accordance with the Department of Agriculture announcement on September 6 that CCC will from time to time make purchases of wheat to cover export requirements, accepting the best offers received at prices not in excess of prevailing market prices.

Purchases were made through PMA Grain Branch offices at Chicago (6,000,000 bushels), Kansas City (4,577,000 bushels), Minneapolis (2,265,000 bushels), and Portland, Oregon (1,387,465 bushels).

UNRRA DISCONTINUES ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS

UNRRA is no longer accepting any new voluntary non-governmental contributions of cash or commodities since liquidation of the organization is beginning.

UNRRA officials have expressed deep gratitude for the gifts of supplies and cash from individuals and organizations. Contributions ranged from cattle donations to medical supplies and equipment, from books and clothing to food, tools, and sewing machines.

The fact that UNRRA is not accepting further gifts, however, does not indicate that voluntary organizations and individuals will no longer be able to help the desperately needy abroad. The Advisory Committee on Foreign Relief of the U. S. Department of State will be able to provide any necessary advice to channels to use and the extent of the need.

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### USDA COMPLETE HORSEMEAT PURCHASES

Purchases of horsemeat, commenced early this year to meet special requirements of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, have now been completed by the Department of Agriculture. Delivery of the entire amount of 40 million pounds of pickled and canned horsemeat are expected to be completed before the end of the year.

Full cooperation by the trade in providing new facilities for carrying out the special program has been largely responsible for its early completion. Before the program was started, only limited plant capacity was available for slaughtering and processing horsemeat under Federal inspection.

Interested plants are reminded that sales of horsemeat to paying governments are made directly to purchasing missions of those countries. Such purchases are not handled by the Department.

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### UNRRA REPORTS

CZECHOSLOVAKIA -- "The people are holding up their heads; they are working, and their crops are growing," UNRRA Director-General La Guardia said of the people in Czechoslovakia. "Some farmers have no agricultural machinery, and they dug the soil with their hands. They are now reaping a harvest," La Guardia continued, as he praised the people for their progress since the end of the war.

The Czechoslovak Government has donated food to UNRRA for Polish-Jewish refugees traveling to camps in Austria. The gifts include fruits and vegetables. Previous gifts were sugar and fruits and vegetables sent to Vienna.

POLAND will get more draft power for agricultural rehabilitation. About 140,000 horses are included in an UNRRA program for shipment to that country. The U. S. will deliver 36,000 horses; Canada, 8,891; Iceland, 2,500 ponies; and Denmark, 20,000.

ITALY -- Under an UNRRA-aid forestry plan, Italy will restock the country's forests which were destroyed during the war. Italy needs wood to repair war damages to homes, buildings, railroads, and ships.

Plans call for the planting of 20,000 acres in timber before the end of the year, with about half of the program in northern Italy. Nurseries are being rebuilt and greenhouses repaired and stocked. The reforestation program is expected to be in full swing in 1948.